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AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

(Currently Amended) A process for reducing the content of NO_x and N₂O in NO_x- and N₂O-containing gases, comprising:

- a) adding at least one nitrogen-containing reducing agent to-the said NO_x- and N₂O containing gases in at least the amount required for complete reduction of the NO_x,
- b) adding a hydrocarbon, carbon monoxide, hydrogen or a mixture of one or more of these gases to the <u>said</u> NO_x- and N₂O-containing gases-from-a) for the reduction of the N₂O-to form a gas mixture, and,

wherein the additions of a) and b) can be made in any order or added together to form a gas mixture, and

- c) introducing-the said gas mixture-from b) into at least one reaction zone at temperatures of up to 450°C which contains one or more iron-laden zeolites.
- 2. (Original) The process as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the nitrogencontaining reducing agent is ammonia.
- (Original) The process as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the reaction zone or zones contains an iron-laden zeolite which has channels made up of twelve-membered rings.
- 4. (Original) The process as claimed in claim 3, characterized in that all channels of the iron-laden zeolite are made up of twelve-membered rings.
- 5. (Original) The process as claimed in claim 4, characterized in that the iron-laden zeolite is of the BEA or FAU type.
- 6. (Previously presented) The process as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the nitrogen-containing reducing agent is ammonia and ethane, propane, butane, synthesis gas or LPG is used as reducing agent for N₂O.

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7. (Original) The process as claimed in claim 6, characterized in that an iron-laden zeolite of the BEA type is used as iron-laden zeolite.

- 8. (Previously presented) The process as claimed in claim 1, wherein the NO_x and N_2O containing gases are process gases or offgases.
- 9. (Previously presented) The process as claimed in claim 1, wherein the reducing agent for N₂O is methane.